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Photo by Mark Arike

Local hockey heroes gathered at A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton on July 8 to sign photo murals that have been placed on change room doors in recognition of their contributions to the sport and the community. From left are Ron Stackhouse, Walt McKechnie, Scotty Morrison, Jim Gregory and Matt Duchene. Absent: Cody Hodgson and Bernie Nicholls.

Family makes narrow escape from fire

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Joanna Casey and her family are lucky to be alive after their home burned up in a matter of minutes around midnight on July 4.

"It was incredibly fast," said Joanna in an interview. "Then everything after that was slow-mo. It felt like it took half an hour for the fire department to get there, but it wasn't."

Around the time the blaze broke out at the

home on Gelert Road, Joanna was having a conversation with her boyfriend who just happened to be visiting. She smelled smoke and decided to investigate.

"I jumped up in the bed, went out to open up the washroom door and I could see smoke coming out from under the door," she said.

The couple only had enough time to wake Joanna's children, Devonte, 9, and Kemauhl, 6, and escape the one-storey home in their pyjamas. The only possession Joanna left with

was her cell phone, which she used to call 9-1-1.

Joanna's sister, Pam Casey, was in Minden but rushed over as soon as she heard the news. As the owner of the home, it was heartbreaking to see the destruction.

"I always loved that house," said Pam, who had insurance.

However, she is extremely grateful that everyone made it out unharmed.

"It's just stuff," she said, referring to the

items that were lost.

Unfortunately, the family's dog Odie and a hamster perished in the blaze. Their cat made it out safely.

Twelve volunteer firefighters, nine of whom came from the Minden Hills department, arrived on scene within 14 minutes. They stayed at the property until 4 a.m.

The cause of the fire was attributed to a dryer.

"I'm not sure whether it was because of the See "Community" on page 7

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HIGHLANDS EAST CAO retiring after 41 years

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Highlands East is on the hunt for a new chief administrative officer (CAO).

Sharon Stoughton-Craig, the municipality's current CAO, has announced she will retire at the end of October. She started her career with Glamorgan Township before moving on to Monmouth. After amalgamation she was installed as the CAO of the newly-formed

Municipality of Highlands East.

Reeve Dave Burton said Stoughton-Craig will be missed.

"She's been 41 years in the municipal business," he said. "I can't say enough [about her]. She's very thorough, she's been very loyal to the municipality and very dedicated. She's been immaculate with her work ethic. It's been an opportunity and pleasure for me to work with her."

"I can't say enough good things about

her. It's been wonderful."

This isn't the first time Burton has had to replace a CAO, though it is a first for Highlands East.

"It's going to be difficult, but we move on," he said. "I've been through this a couple of times in my political career, where I've lost a CAO and we've had to go out and find somebody. They're out there. It is going to be difficult, but it's achievable, too."

Stoughton-Craig's job has been posted,

and the municipality is on the lookout for a replacement.

"I want a CAO that has pretty strong financial or treasury background," Burton said. "I think it's important for the municipality. I would like a CAO who can do economic development as well as the duties and responsibilities of the CAO."

There is expected to be overlap in the CAO position, while the new person gets up to speed under Stoughton-Craig's watch.

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Keith Hirstwood pleads guilty to sexual interference with a minor

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Keith Hirstwood of Minden has pleaded guilty to two counts of sexual interference with a person under the age of 16 (Section 151, subsection A, of the Criminal Code) and one count of invitation to sexual touching with a person under the age of 16 (Section 152 of the Criminal Code).

Hirstwood was charged in September 2014 with two counts of sexual assault against a person under the age of 16, two counts of

sexual interference with a person under the age of 16, two counts of invitation to touching with a person under the age of 16, and two counts of luring a person under the age of 16 by means of telecommunication.

He pleaded guilty to three of those charges in a Lindsay courtroom on July 3.

According to the Criminal Code, each of those charges comes with a minimum sentence of one year, up to a maximum of 10 years in prison.

Hirstwood's next court date is scheduled for Aug. 21.

Cardiologist's hearing delayed to 2016

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The disciplinary hearing for doctor and cardiologist Bill Hughes has been postponed to 2016.

Dr. Hughes was scheduled to appear before The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario's disciplinary committee to answer allegations of incompetence and professional misconduct in March. However, The Highlander has learned that his hearing dates have been changed to February,

March, and April 2016.

In the notice of hearing dated March 5, 2014, it is alleged that Hughes is incompetent and/or failed to maintain the standard of practice of the profession in his care of patients. It is also alleged that Hughes engaged in disgraceful, dishonourable, or unprofessional conduct in his practice, including in his referrals to patients for diagnostic testing.

Spokespeople for the College were unable to comment on the specifics of these allegations, nor on the date the complaints were received by the College.

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Editorial opinion

Where it's art

Anyone who has been on the Haliburton County Studio Tour in the fall or visited the dozens of other artists' studios in the Highlands knows that we've got a thing for creativity.

It's hard to turn a corner or head down a county road without running into a stunning sculpture or passing by an open studio sign.

The good news here is that the local arts scene isn't seasonal or even weather dependent.

This past Tuesday evening, a large crowd donned their finest rain gear and came with umbrellas in-hand to get a taste of the performing arts scene. The organizers of Music In the Park have promised to bring live music to Head Lake Park, rain or shine. Only thunderstorms will stop the music.

The good turnout is an indication of how important live music is to the community.

This coming weekend, locals and visitors will have the opportunity to get up close and personal with more than 30 artists as they cruise around Kennisis Lake during the first Art On the Dock event. Hosted by the Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association, the tour will feature both professional artists and hobbyists who work with a variety of mediums.

Not only is that a great way to engage with artists and learn more about their craft, but it's a chance to take in some magnificent natural sights along the way.

Before this month comes to a close, Head Lake Park will play host to the 52nd annual Haliburton Art and Craft Festival presented by the Rails End Gallery. For several years, this three-day event has undoubtedly been the largest – and most popular – juried

show and sale in the Highlands. Last year's event saw 130 vendors attend, many of whom travelled across the country to partake in the festivities.

With traffic lining the streets and upwards of 7,000 visitors entering the gate, the show is a boon to local businesses, especially restaurants that are a stone's throw away from the venue.

While some locals may become impatient due to longer than usual lineups and crowded parking lots, it's a small price to pay to bring much-needed tourism dollars to the village.

A few years ago, the local Arts Council hired a consultant to conduct a study on the economic impact of the arts in the area. While the figures from that report haven't been publicly released, it would most likely reveal that having a vibrant and thriving arts community is paying off.

And the county's tourism director, Amanda Virtanen, also believes this sector is part of what gives the Highlands its unique flavour. In fact, arts, culture and heritage are part of the county's three-pillar marketing strategy (the other two pillars being culinary tourism and outdoor adventure).

No matter which way you look at it, the arts scene is needed in this neck of the woods just as much as any other attraction or activity. It may not bring in as much money as ATVs or snowmobiling, but it's an integral piece of the pie.



By Mark Arike

Remembering where they came from

I love meeting celebrities but not for the reasons most people think. Sure, I might like their acting, their athletic abilities or their voices, but it's the one intangible part I'm most after. How human are they? Or maybe, how human have they remained?

It may seem like a pipe dream in today's devalued celebrity culture to expect (hope?) someone famous to retain their decency, but it's certainly not impossible. Arrogance and the inability to see other mere mortals as equals truly destroys any semblance of admiration I might have for a famous person.

Take Morgan Freeman for example. In an earlier project I had, I not only met the man but had an hour of the Academy Award winning actor's time – and my project by the way, wasn't about to help Mr. Freeman's career in any sort of way. He was just a decent man, and a real human being.

In Haliburton we have our fair share of celebrities and, for the sake of this example, I'm talking about our abundance of world-class hockey talent. The thing is, anyone who knows of them simply knows them as Bernie and Matt and Cody and Walt and Ron and Scotty. They're not celebrities living in our community, they are part of our community. We know that and they know that.

If you haven't noticed it for yourself, then you haven't been watching or listening. All of them have played integral parts of defining the Highlands and who we are. Whether it's a charity event or some kind of community building exercise, these individuals are always willing to help out and to do what might seem to other people as minimal or unimportant.

Take the dressing room door dedications that occurred this week at the A.J LaRue Arena in Haliburton. Seven doors, seven heavy-duty but normal-sized doors that enclose the seven dressing rooms in the arena, have had custom murals applied to honour each of the seven "Haliburton" hockey stories. Keep in mind these are "just" doors and in another setting, another instance, and in another place you might be lucky to get one or two of the individuals out to participate. But this is

Haliburton, and in this place these men know what they mean to the area. More to the point, they know what the area means to them.

Walt McKechnie is a great example. While he's not technically from Haliburton, few people exude being a Haliburtonian more than him. He took up residence here back in 1970 and has been a valued citizen, business owner and elected official since then. His only crime is not being born here. Say something derogatory to Walt about this town and he'll be dropping his gloves like it's 1977 and he's still skating in the NHL.

And that's just Walt. The same goes for any of the honorees. Haliburton isn't just an historical part of their past, it's a cherished part of their present.

Then there's Cody Hodgson. Even though he's going through a whirlwind presently at the professional level – having changed teams from Buffalo to Nashville – he still found time to make his way here and arrive three days before the actual ceremony just so he and his family could recognize this dedication and, in effect, show his appreciation for his hometown.

Same goes for Matt, Bernie, Ron and Scotty. Regardless of when they heard the news, regardless of where they might have been headed in their busy lives, they took the time to do the decent thing – to them, the only right thing – and be here. That's the kind of people they are. Hockey glitterati yes, but proud citizens first and foremost.

The gesture that spoke loudest to me was when The Highlander's editor, Matthew Desrosiers, who's not from Haliburton, leaned over to me and whispered: "They always come back."

Precisely. Regardless of the grandeur of the event, our Haliburton hockey boys, the larger than life personalities who've made us all feel a little prouder for living here, always come back. To live, to visit, to retire, or to just be part of the community that helped get them started and the place their hearts will always call home.



By Charlie Teljeur

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Correction

In 'County taking advantage of low rates' (The Highlander issue 192, page 10), it was reported that the \$1,725,000 being borrowed by the county was very close to the total cost of the new EMS building. The loan is actually close to the total cost of the EMS building and property, combined. The Highlander apologizes for this error.

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Highlander opinion

Photo of the week



Photo by Kristel Chalmers

A family of ducklings follows mom around the lake.

Chicken craps and weedy cracks

When I was a kid, a little bit older than Little Z is now, my dad gave me certain chores to do. I had to mow the lawn. I had to wash the work van. I had to feed the chickens in the morning, and remember to close their door at night: failure to carry out this last task was a fate worse than death, for the chickens at least, as our local fox inevitably turned up, napkin around his neck and feasted well. For me, well, it was a severe telling off and some serious docking of pocket money for several weeks.

There was, however, one chore that I hated above all others. I hated it even more than cleaning out the chicken coop; not because it was more messy or stinky – nothing is much more gut wrenchingly smelly than clambering into a chicken coop to scrape out the crap-covered wood shavings! No, I hated it because it was mind numbingly boring.

That chore was scraping out the moss, weeds and dirt from the cracks in the patio. You see, when my dad built our house in the late 1960s, the trend was to lay an area of concrete slabs outside of the back door: the patio. You thought my father sent me down to the local bar didn't you! No such luck. At

least I might have found the odd penny or two to supplement my pocket money there.

Our patio was an area about 12 feet by 24, in which my dad had laid a higgledy piggledy pattern of different sized, different coloured square slabs with mortar in the joints between them. By the time I was about eight, much of the mortar had come loose and fallen out and Mother Nature had set about colonizing every inch of space within these joints. Thus, it was my job to take a kitchen knife, flat ended screwdriver, or other pointy, scrapey tool and dig out the moss and weeds. The chore took all morning. An entire morning of crawling slowly around on my hands and knees scraping and jabbing, as I slowly made my way around the maze. Then, when every crack had been cleaned I had to brush up the debris, and finally hose down the patio.

Dad would check in on me frequently during this laborious task, and, as if by magic, he'd have deck chairs at the ready for the moment I finished. Before the patio was even dry he'd be sat in his chair, not so much admiring my work as looking for the spots I had missed.

But why do I tell you this? Well, while there is no patio at my house, there is, or was, a deck. An old and rotten deck. I recently tore it apart and I now have a giant pile of crappy lumber in my driveway, much to my lovely wife's delight!

You guessed it, I'm kidding about her delight.

In the space where my old deck was I thought about building a patio. It would have been a sort of homage to my dad, but I ran into a couple of problems. Firstly, I couldn't find the coloured concrete slabs, and second, the walk out to a ground level patio – which had been level to our raised deck – would have presented quite a challenge without ropes and climbing gear. And so, I opted to replace the old deck with a new deck.

I'm just about finished building it but I'm troubled. You see, we have a nice big lawn that always requires mowing. We have a car that never gets washed. We even have chickens that are preyed on by countless critters if not shut in at night, and which stink just as bad as my childhood ones when you clean them out. But we don't have a patio with weeds and moss growing between

TheOutsider



By Will Jones

the cracks.

What am I going to do as Little Z gets bigger and I feel the need to inflict on him the same punishment (sorry chores) that my father did on me? How can any deck maintenance be as crushingly boring as my boyhood patio cleaning? What am I to do?

I guess I'll just have to hope that he leaves the chicken run open one night, and lets the lawn grow long. Then, a family of coons sneaks through the overgrown grass and into the coop to feast on the birds. Then, they crawl under the deck to sleep off their meal, only for a vicious cold snap to freeze them to death right under there.

Then, I can make him crawl under to pull out the dead coon carcasses. I wouldn't ask him to go under until the weather warms up again of course. No point in him clambering under the deck before his prize is a little bit ripe!

Ah the fun of being a dad. Now I appreciate my patio scraping days.

Highlander opinion

Eye on the street: What is your favourite thing about summer in the Highlands?



Graham Pickett

Kingston

Just being on the lake. I like going fishing and swimming while at the cottage.



Mark Ramanujam

Newton, Pennsylvania

The lakes and the campfires by the cottage along with my single malt whiskey.



Matthew Pheaton

Haliburton

Going tubing on the lake. I also like going on long boat rides with my dogs Dakota and Tilly.



Nick Placido

Haliburton

Skateboarding and Subway! I also like going swimming with all of my friends.



Sierra Taylor

Burlington

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By Lisa Harrison

Dorset bridge reconstruction continues

Work on the Muskoka River bridge on Highway 35 in Dorset continues to cause some delays for travellers. Traffic in both directions is being routed via traffic lights onto the southbound lane while crews work on the northbound lane. The scheduled repairs include replacement of the deck and sidewalks, injections into cracks at the pier footings, new deck drains and upgrades to guiderails. According to a July 3 update, the Ministry of Transportation estimates the \$4.5 million project will be completed by May 2016. The project is part of the Ministry of Transportation's Northern Ontario infrastructure development program. Pictured above: Work continues on the Muskoka River bridge outside of Dorset. Traffic is currently down to one lane.

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Highlander news



Photos submitted by Joanna Casey

There's not much left of this house after a fire ripped through it on July 4.

Community rallies around Gelert family

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dryer or whether it was the vent," said Dysart fire chief Miles Maughan.

He said no further investigation would be conducted.

In the wake of their loss, the family has experienced an outpouring of support from the community. Donations, prayers and well-wishes have all come their way.

"I thank God for the community because they've stepped up and gone above and beyond," said Joanna, who found herself at a loss for words.

"You never think it's going to happen to you, but when it does you can feel the love in a small community."

Both Joanna and Pam would like to thank everyone who has come to their aid, including the firefighters and paramedics who were with them that night.

Although they have already received a significant amount of support, they are accepting sporting equipment for the kids and monetary donations.

A bank account has been set up at the Bank of Montreal (account #3987-075).

The family is currently staying with relatives.

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Highlander news

Reeve predicts public pushback on solar farm

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

A 300-acre property in Minden Hills could be the future site of a solar farm.

During a council meeting on June 25, Oakville-based company Algonquin Power Co. told councillors about their plans to provide energy to the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) through renewable energy.

According to their proposal, the project, which would be installed in a "discrete location," would generate 40-50 megawatts of power. The property is located north of Bethel Road and south of Duck Lake Road, near the Allsaw flats.

"We want to make sure there is a benefit to the community," said project manager Evan Koebel. "We don't want to go ahead if there isn't a benefit to everybody involved."

Based on "development experience and tangible net worth," the company has already been pre-qualified to bid up to 100MW of solar and wind projects. Algonquin Power is one of 42 pre-qualified bidders through the IESO's Large Renewable Procurement (LRP) process.

According to the IESO's website, the LRP is a competitive process for procuring renewable energy projects generally larger than 500 kilowatts.

Koebel pointed out that the company would likely include two or three projects in this bid, however, "given the distance of the transmission and a few other features, [the Minden project] is probably our most attractive project."

Their report indicated that the project wouldn't be visible from roadways or viewsheds. A 230 kilovolt transmission circuit would be located adjacent to the site.

The company intends to maintain ownership of the project for 20-40 years.

A public meeting for input is scheduled on July 14 at the Minden Legion from 5-9 p.m.

"We are mailing notices and fact sheets to community stakeholders close to the project," said Koebel, adding that "one-on-one meetings" would be held with adjacent landowners.

The company is looking to meet a Sept. 1 proposal application deadline.

Once the public meeting is held and feedback is received, Koebel is hoping to receive endorsement from council.

"Our objective is to understand if council is supportive of solar and the location that we've chosen," he said.

Councillor Jeanne Anthon expressed her support for solar power, but felt that the timeline was a problem.

"It's a wonderful science, but I'm very frustrated with the compression of this kind of

application. It just seems that we're not being provided real time to deal with this and make our ratepayers aware," she said.

Reeve Brent Devolin sided with Anthon, saying he was "annoyed with the process."

"I don't like the box that municipalities are put in," said Devolin, adding this was the first proposal he has seen of this scale.

If council is supportive, the company hopes to enter into a "vibrancy agreement" with the township by the end of July. Through it, they promise to help fund community initiatives from revenues generated.

"The dollar value is \$2,000 per installed megawatt," said Koebel.

Based on the size of the project, that translates to \$80-100,000.

Upon receiving municipal support, the company promises to "use commercially reasonable effort to hire local suppliers of

labour and materials."

Township CAO Lorrie Blanchard asked Koebel if this amount would be negotiable.

"It's negotiable," he said. "You'd get the first crack at a number from us. We'd love to get your feedback."

On July 6, Devolin told The Highlander that he recently walked the property in question.

"I'm not sure the scale of it fits with what we want to do on any kind of level, but we'll see what happens," he said, referring to the upcoming meeting.

"I'm not optimistic that it will find support."

Devolin said the feedback he has received from adjacent landowners hasn't been favourable.

"Some of them are already starting to write in ... I'm confident you'll get a tone of that at the public meeting."

OPP in brief

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Police busy on Canada Day

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Meetings & Events

July 30 Committee of the Whole/Regular meeting of Council, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chambers

Aug 1 Household Hazardous Waste Day, 8:00 am to 11:30 am, Scotchline Landfill

Aug 27 Committee of the Whole/Regular meeting of Council, 9:00 am, Minden Council Chambers

Please note there is only 1 scheduled meeting of council for the months of July and August

Council Advisory Boards and Committees

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Notice of Special Council Meeting

Take notice there will be a Special Meeting of Council held on Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 9:00 am in the Council Chambers located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON

The purpose of the Special Meeting is to address the following:

Abundant Solar – review seven proposed projects.

Orillia Power - proposed new Generation Station; proposed Road Allowance and Shore Road Allowance.

Whitewater Ontario – proposed Shore Road Allowance application.

Greystone – proposed Site Plan Agreement, Draft By-Law and update on Easement.

Planning and Development Committee – recommendation for the formation of a Renewable Energy Public Consultation.

One closed session item pursuant to section 239 (2) (f) of the Municipal Act 2001, as amended, Solicitor client privilege

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Highlander arts

If it's Tuesday it must be Haliburton

At any other time of the year the majority of events in Haliburton County take place on the weekends. In the summer though, every day features some event or other, and in the Village of Haliburton Tuesdays are especially busy.

For instance, starting at 10 a.m. visitors can pander themselves with a guided tour of the Sculpture Forest. Terrific three dimensional works from sculptors both local and outside our borders can be seen dotting a winding and serene path through the woods. Unlike in an art gallery, touching these sculptures is encouraged. The Sculpture Forest is located in Glebe Park just behind the Haliburton School of the Arts and next door to the Haliburton Museum.

The museum hosts Heritage Walks every Tuesday evening in July and August. Visitors can meet with informative museum staff members at the caboose in Haliburton at 5:30 p.m. From there it's on to a walking tour of the village to discover spots of historic significance. The caboose, which contains the tourist information depot, is located right next door to the

Rails End Gallery on York Street.

The Rails End is currently featuring the annual exhibition of works by the faculty and staff of the School of the Arts. The show, which runs through to Aug. 2, is called 'Outside the Lines.' The name reflects the theme of this year's show and it's interesting to see how the individual artists interpret the theme.

There are many fine works, but the images of the dock spider by Jay Damf, the Japanese print by Casandra Kyszkowski, and John Leonard's black and white lithograph caught my eye. I particularly liked an abstract by Rod Prouse called 'V12 Jazz Club.' It's comprised of yellow, blue and red lines, and swirls and dots, which overlay blocks of black and blue in such a way as to convey both the glitz angularity and the plummy curves of jazz notes as they float among patrons in the darkened recesses of the club.

For the duration of the exhibition there will be weekly Meet and Mingle receptions every Tuesday evening from 4:30-6 p.m. The idea is for the public to

mingle with staff and students from the school. It's a great way to meet instructors and talk to them about their theories and teaching methods before you take that plunge into art classes. Or if you're simply an arts groupie you can rub elbows and other body parts with any number of artists who are willing to be adored. Admission is by donation and there are light refreshments available.

Refreshments reminds me of fresh food which can be found in abundance at the Haliburton County Farmers Market. It takes place, as you've undoubtedly figured out (if you didn't already know), on Tuesdays in Head Lake Park, between noon and 4 p.m. There are all kinds of local farm produce to be had, as well as baked goods and doggie treats. Try the goat cheese, breads, pizza, and specialty jams. But you need to get there early because the goodies go quickly.

Oh yes, and let's not forget the Music in the Park event which takes place in the evening from 7-9 p.m. at the band shell in Head Lake Park. Admission is by donation and all proceeds go to the Rotary Club

What's Up



By George Farrell

of Haliburton. It's most enjoyable if you bring a chair and/or blanket.

Then there's the Play in the Park, afternoons from 2-3 p.m., and Paddle the Park, and... I wish I could include everybody, but the list of events on Tuesdays just goes on and on. And it doesn't let up until the fall. Argh!

I almost forgot the Hop On Hop Off bus which runs... wait for it... every Tuesday, and only on Tuesday, during the summer months, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The bus does three round-trips which includes multiple stops in Minden and Haliburton, as well as Carnarvon, and West Guilford.

So, during a hectic Tuesday, if you fall asleep at an event then wake up and don't know where you are, don't worry. It must be Haliburton.

For more information on Tuesday events, as well as happenings on all the other days in the week, visit experiencehaliburton.com.

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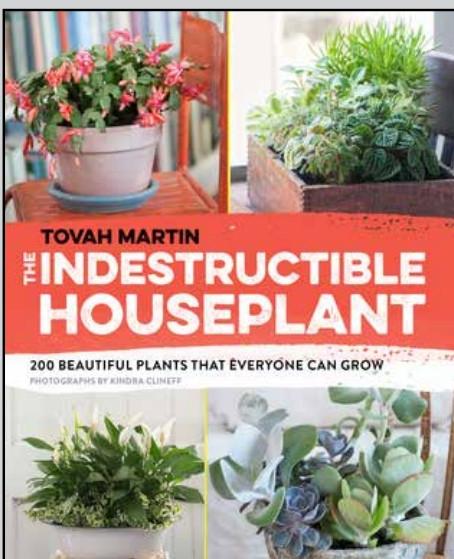
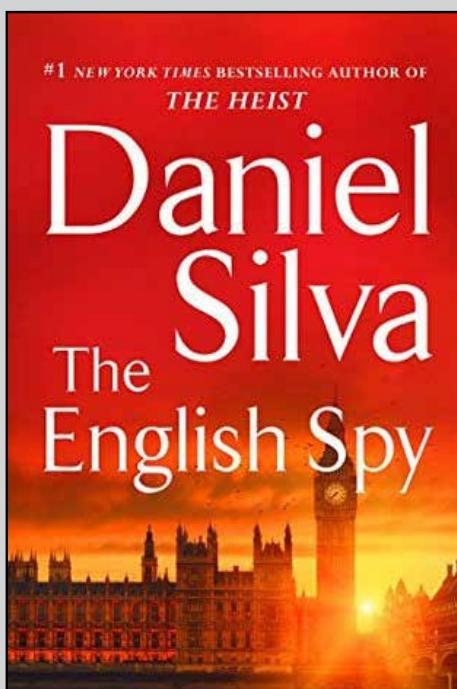
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2. *Nemesis* by Catherine Coulter
3. *Twice in a Lifetime* by Dorothy Garlock

HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

1. *The Indestructible Houseplant: 200 beautiful plants that everyone can grow* by Tovah Martin
2. *Move Your Bus: an extraordinary new approach to accelerating success in work and life* by Ron Clark
3. *Heretic: why Islam needs a reformation now* by Ayaan Hirsi Ali

HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

1. *The Phantom Bully* by Jeffrey Brown (JF)
2. *Ink and Bone: the Great Library* by Rachel Caine (YA)

AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. *Get Hard* (DVD)
2. *Grey* by E.L. James (Book on CD)

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Photo by Mark Arike

Thom Lambert, curator of the Arts Council's members' show, admires some of the pieces currently on display at Baked & Battered.



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Spotlight shines on Arts Council members

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The Arts Council~Haliburton Highlands has partnered with a popular local establishment to showcase the work of its members.

On July 1, eight pieces of art made their debut on the walls of Baked & Battered in Haliburton.

"Basically, it's a public art project to get as much art in front of the public as possible," Thom Lambert, curator of the project and former Arts Council board member, said.

Lambert said the idea first emerged over a year ago.

"All kinds of artists would walk in here," said Lambert, referring to the space that houses the coffee shop, "and they knew the power of this place."

Although the owners of the establishment, Craig Gordon and Colby Marcellus, have featured art on their walls before, this was their first joint project with the Arts Council.

In the spring, the Arts Council put out a call for entry for the one-month-long juried members' show, titled "... on the Dock." Two Arts Council board members, along with Lambert and Marcellus, "accepted and vetted the work," he said.

"Once we got it down to what we thought was a short list, Colby and I sat down and Colby basically had the last say of what he thought worked on the walls."

The theme of the show is inspired by the Haliburton Highlands and the vast array of activities that take place around the water.

The work of artist David Alexander Risk will appear in the restaurant next month.

Lambert said the show enables artists to gain exposure in a unique space. It also raises the profile of the Arts Council, a not-for-profit organization.

For more information about the project contact Peggy Morgan at 705-457-8033 or email haliburtonarts@haliburtonarts.on.ca.

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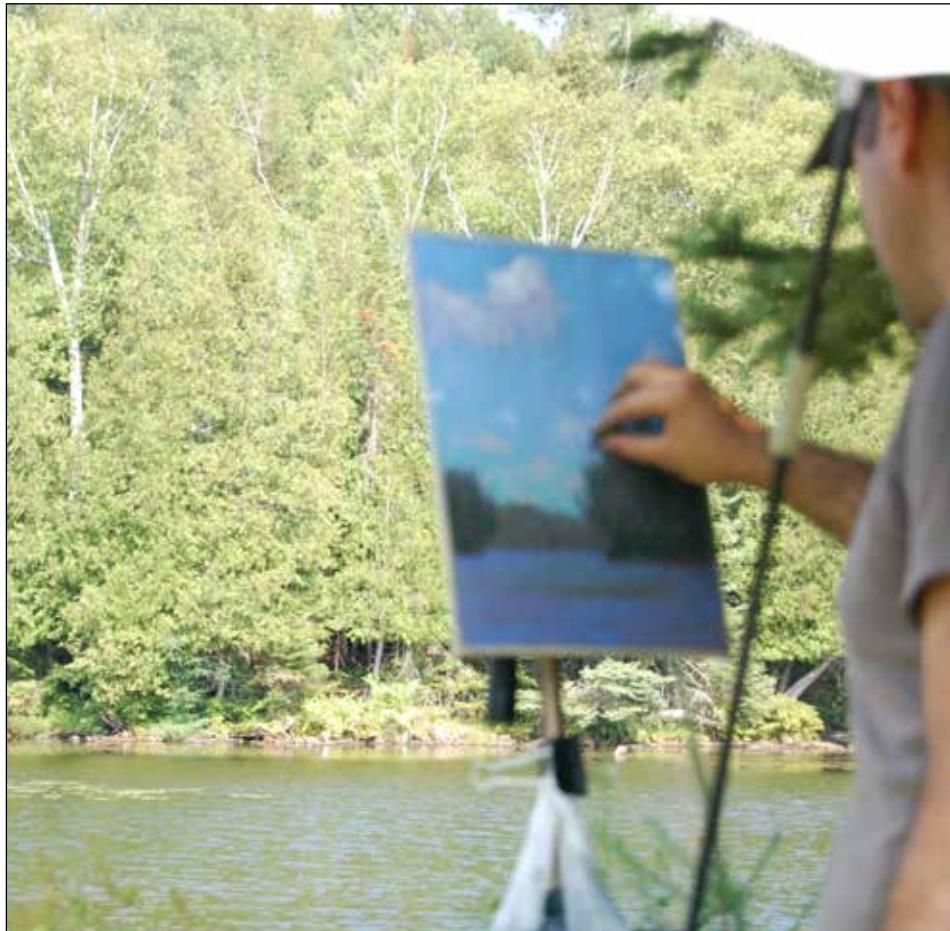
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An artist creates art 'in plein air' during the 2013 Highlands East Plein Air Festival.

Plein Air Festival taking off

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

There's nothing quite like painting in the outdoors.

Every year, Highlands East hosts a Plein Air Arts Festival and invites artists to some of the municipality's most beautiful corners. Organizer Gary Blundell said this year's festival is going to be better than ever.

"It's going to be a lot different from last year," he said. "I'm hoping it will be better, and better attended. They [artists] get to come to a really nice place. What we've done is promote not just the nature in the area, but also our cultural heritage down here."

Last year's festival had 15 participants, but Blundell hopes to more than double that number this time around. To that end, he's been travelling around the province recruiting artists for the festival, and registration remains open for anyone who wants to sign up.

The festival boasts 14 sites that include old farms, churches, the wild outdoors, rapids, waterfalls, and some industrial buildings. Blundell said there's something to interest everyone.

"We have industrial buildings this year, some old churches," he said. "I've gone out of my way to identify more nice spots to visit, places within Algonquin Park, and a lot of nice lakes, rapids, and rivers."

Once the painting is done, artists are invited to bring three pieces of art completed during the festival, and three others they could have done anywhere, to an art sale.

"I'm making a bigger effort to get people out to the sale," said Blundell.

An added bonus is the potential to earn a spot in the Rail's End Gallery's plein air

exhibition. The gallery's curator, Laurie Jones, will attend the show and along with Blundell, will judge the work. The winner earns a \$200 prize and becomes the 'cover artist' for next year's festival.

Last year, Doug Ware of Ottawa won the award.

"He is all over our website, and is the cover artist for our brochure," said Blundell. "Because we're making such an effort to promote the festival, we are basically advertising his work across the province and into Quebec."

The Highlands East Plein Air Festival has the potential to expand into something special, Blundell said.

"There are not a lot of these kinds of events in the area. There's one in Belleville, but not a lot of plein air events around here at all. [Our festival] might expand. I'm hoping down the road it won't just be about painting. It will be about a lot of different art forms as well."

There have been talks of a possible winter event, but Blundell said that would happen down the road. First, he wants to see the local arts community rally around the festival.

"The locals here are starting to be a bit more interested this year than last," he said. "It would be good to have, not just a presence from people in Ottawa or Barrie, or Peterborough and Toronto. It would be really good if we could get some people who lived here involved, too. I think that would show these people from away that this is an event the artists in the community really support."

The festival runs from Sept. 10-13. There is a party on Saturday evening for the artists to gather and enjoy food and drink, followed by the festival's wrap-up sale on Sunday.

For more information on the festival, visit highlandseastpleinair.wordpress.com.

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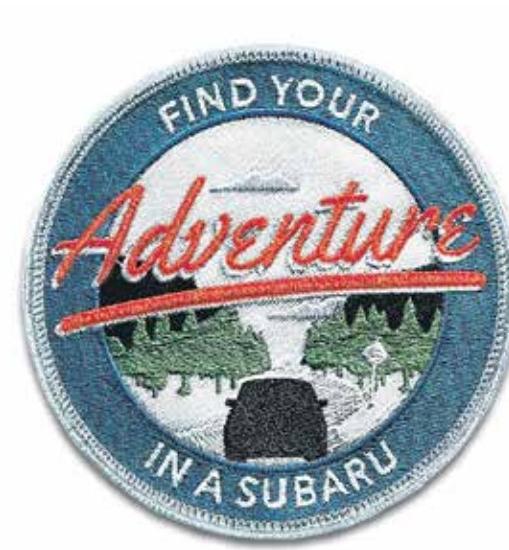
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Haliburton resident Jessica Mazara has started her own mobile aesthetics business with funding and support from the Summer Company program.

Summer Company program funds future dreams

By Mark Arike

Staff writer

Eighteen-year-old Jessica Mazara wasn't quite sure what she was going to do this summer until she discovered the Summer Company program.

"I was talking to this one woman and she said, 'Why don't you start your own business?'" recalled Mazara. "I'm thinking I'm an 18-year-old girl. I don't have any money to do that."

The woman told her about the Summer Company program, which provides students between the ages of 15 and 29 with up to \$3,000 in funding to help launch their own business. The program, which is funded by the province and the Kawartha Lakes Small Business and Entrepreneurship Centre, also offers participants hands-on business coaching and mentoring from local business leaders.

"I was really interested, so I decided to go ahead and try it and this is where I am now," she said.

As a child, the longtime Haliburton resident took a liking to dyeing her hair and thought she may want to become a hairdresser. In Grade 11, she took part in a co-op at Heads

Up Hairstylists in Haliburton.

"It's really close calls with cutting hair, people really have to trust you," she said.

Mazara decided to change course and did a co-op this past year with local esthetician Sajo Miscio at her home. There she learned how to do pedicures, manicures, sanitization and more.

"She taught me everything I know to build this business."

In April, she completed her application for the program which included a full business plan and breakdown of expenses. One of the requirements is to complete 240 hours of work.

"You have to get that to get the second half of the money," she said, pointing out that she received half the money upfront to purchase products and supplies.

Participants must also be returning to school when they complete the program.

This past week, Mazara joined several other successful program applicants at Staples Young Entrepreneurs Day in Lindsay. The purpose of the event was to market their businesses.

Since three other local young people were welcomed into the program — Zac Youngdale, Lana Cole and Justin Schofield

— Mazara is able to carpool to Lindsay with them for business mentor meetings.

As the owner of Gor-Jess Nails (a play on her name), Mazara provides mobile esthetics services such as manicures, pedicures, polish change and select waxing.

She opened for business in June, and the response so far has been very good.

"I've started getting a lot of calls. People are interested in having me come to their home and do their nails."

Now that she has found her passion, Mazara will attend St. Lawrence College in Kingston this fall for aesthetics. The one-year, compressed program will provide her even more skills.

She plans to continue down the path of entrepreneurship after school.

"I want to have my own business because I like running it on my own, and maybe it will get big and I'll hire people."

In addition to being grateful for the Summer Company program, she has received support from her parents.

Mazara plans on returning to Haliburton at some point in the future.

For more information or to book an appointment call 705-854-1514 or email jessica.mazara@hotmail.com.

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Young entrepreneurs launch SUP business

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Matthew Morrison wants everyone in the Highlands to give stand-up paddle boarding a try.

Earlier this year, the 27-year-old Ottawa Valley native teamed up with his wife to launch Get Up Stand Up Paddle Co.

"[We want to] bring the true message of what stand-up paddle boarding is," said Morrison in an interview. "It is the fastest-growing sport in the world. With all that information, there's a lot of misinformation as well. We want to give people the right information."

Morrison and his wife, Melody Walker, moved to Carnarvon in May. They previously lived in Vancouver, but decided to relocate after having their first child.

"We looked at each other and said, 'It's definitely going to be the Highlands,'" he said, recalling their decision. "This area is just unbelievable."

Morrison said his wife's family has owned a cottage in the area for the past 15 years.

The pair wanted to be closer to family – and of course, plenty of water.

"There's over 600 lakes in the Highlands area. When you have that much access to water, it almost seems silly being landlocked on a dock," said Morrison.

Since moving, the certified paddleboard instructor has dipped his board and paddle in about a dozen local lakes and rivers.

"It's always a new experience every time I go out," he said.

Several years ago, the marketing and advertising graduate worked for an upscale pawn shop in the Kingston area. After leaving that business and moving to B.C., he worked in the music industry, organizing live concerts and festivals.

The first time he saw paddle boarding, otherwise known as SUP, he was hooked. "It looked like something that was



Photo by Mark Arike

Along with his wife Melody Walker, Matthew Morrison (pictured) has launched a new stand-up paddle boarding business in the Highlands.

exactly built for me," said the water sports enthusiast and all-around outdoorsman.

Morrison jumped on a board and picked up the sport on his own. However, it wasn't until five or so years in that he discovered there was room for improvement.

He studied under the tutelage of Bodie Shandro, a name synonymous with the world of SUP.

"I was paddling for five or six years before I even took a lesson from him. He was showing me stuff I never even would have thought about."

Morrison provided his first tour to a group of students from the Haliburton

School of the Arts. They paddled around Head Lake.

"They were so stoked that we ended up setting up another tour for them."

The couple is providing rentals, lessons and tours all across the county. Beginners and advanced paddlers are welcome.

"One of our big goals is to make stand-up paddle boarding accessible to everyone," he said, adding that the sport is an asset to tourism in the area.

"It's just another tool that the Haliburton Highlands itself can use to promote what tourism is here."

The business recently teamed up with the Municipality of Dysart et al to offer free

SUP lessons on Head Lake every Saturday. The two sessions start at Rotary Beach at noon and 3 p.m.

"Our two-hour lesson is certainly more extensive than the one that we offer at Head Lake, but it's still a good lesson because we do on the land first and then you go on the water."

This enables participants to build their confidence level before heading out on the water, said Morrison.

Everyone is welcome, but children must be at least six years old to participate.

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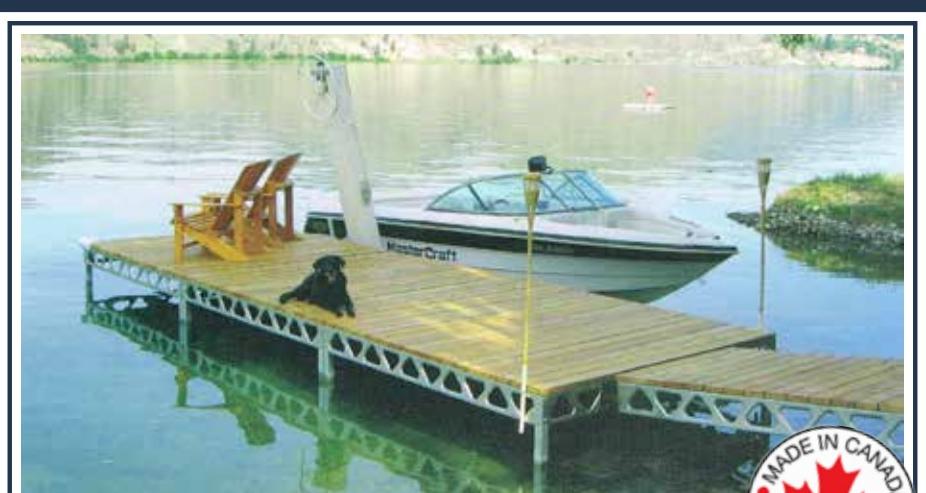
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Chamber report takes on Hydro costs

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce (HHCC) is taking a stand – alongside its provincial counterpart, the Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) – against the rising cost of electricity in Ontario.

"What I'm hearing [from local businesses] is that, in most cases, it's their highest cost," said Rosemarie Jung, general manager of the HHCC. "Grocers, and it makes sense, have the highest electricity use and are really feeling the pinch. Their costs are substantial."

In a press release, Bill Burden, owner of the West Guilford Shopping Centre, said despite being his busiest season, summer is also his most expensive.

"The rising cost of electricity has cut into my profit margins and forced me to make significant adjustments to my operations," he said. "My energy costs are the highest in the summer, which means that I can't afford to hire new staff even though this is when I need them the most. Something has to change when it comes to the cost of electricity in Ontario."

Jung said over the last 10 years, some businesses have seen increases of 20-30 per cent in their Hydro bills.

"Businesses are asking why it can't be more fair," she said. "Why can't we take a different course of action? Why can't certain costs be capped?"

To that end, the chamber co-branded a report along with the OCC and 40 other chambers across Ontario that has been submitted to the provincial government. Titled 'Empowering Ontario: Constraining costs and staying competitive in the electricity market,' the report identifies some issues that have led to rising electricity costs, and puts forward a series of recommendations on how they can be solved.

"Part of it is just opening the conversation and being more transparent, and that's one of the recommendations put forward," said Jung. "It's being more transparent about electricity pricing so local businesses can see what the true cost breakdown is of what they're paying for."

Recommendations in the report include increasing transparency of electricity pricing, keeping the debit retirement charge on residential bills until it is retired, incentivizing voluntary consolidation of local distribution companies through multiple channels, moving away from

the central procurement model to a competitive capacity market structure, removing a portion of the HST from industrial electricity bills, and making better use of smart meter data. It also calls for cancelling feed-in-tariff contracts.

In creating the report, the OCC put out surveys to their chamber members so they could collect data from across the province. Jung said the HHCC got their say, as well.

"Our feedback to the OCC was to ensure they're hearing the voice of small rural communities," she said. "It's really easy for the voice of the GTA to be heard, but to hear the voice of the smaller communities ... we are confident they are listening and have listened."

She said it was important to press home how different the needs are in a smaller community compared to larger ones.

"For us, in terms of rising electricity costs and the burden placed on our businesses, we as a small community cannot afford to have businesses close because of this additional burden that has been placed upon us."

Jung said she was blown away almost two years ago when she sat in on a round-table discussion in Lindsay, and listened to grocers and dairy farmers talk about neighbour businesses that have shut down due to high electricity costs.

"We don't want that reality being our reality," she said.

"What this report means for our local businesses is that there's a voice out there, someone calling out, asking for change on their behalf."

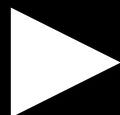
While the provincial government is not expected to accept the report and immediately implement the recommendations, Jung said it has opened the door for discussion.

"The OCC is putting the report forward and putting an offer on the table saying we are interested in having this conversation with you [provincial government]. We represent a significant number of businesses. That's a substantial voice."

The chamber wants an opportunity to sit down and have a discussion about the impact these rising costs are having on businesses across the province, she said.

"The bottom line here is that we all need to stand up and shout in a big voice, alongside the chamber, and protest this. That's why we agreed to support [the OCC] and co-brand this report with them."

To view the report, visit occ.ca.



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By Mark Arike

Golf course owners celebrate grand opening

The staff and owners of Haliburton Highlands Golf Course celebrated their grand opening on July 5 with a barbecue and ribbon-cutting ceremony. On May 6, local residents Dale and Eldon Bull partnered with Darlene and David Gervais to take over ownership of the nine-hole course on Kashagawigamog Lake Road. Darlene is Dale's sister. The Bulls previously owned the course between 2001 and 2007.

Pictured above: Golfers and other supporters celebrated the grand opening of the Haliburton Highlands Golf Course on July 5. Pictured in the front row, from left, are business partners Darlene and David Gervais along with owners Eldon and Dale Bull.

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Above: Hank O'Reilly performs at Canoe FM's garden party. Far right: Station president Malcolm MacLean goes on the air during the Radiothon. Right: Volunteer Arlene Stiles joins her husband on the air for the very first time.



Canoe radiothon reaches new record

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

The community's generosity came pouring in to Canoe FM between July 3 and 4 during the station's seventh annual Radiothon.

On both days, volunteer hosts took to the airwaves to help solicit a record-setting amount in donations. On July 6, the grand total was at \$29,500.

Callers phoned in their donations while others went to the station in-person, located in Haliburton on Mountain Street. Several high-ticket auction items were donated by local business in support of the cause.

On Saturday, a garden party was held on the lawn with live entertainment provided by local acts Fifth Business, Trina West, Jim Love, Gord Kidd, Jeff Barry, Steve Maine, Robin Clegg, Milt Shepherd, Rudy Saber, Jeff Moulton, Hank O'Reilly, and Albert Saxby. A barbecue was hosted by the Haliburton & District Lions Club.

Station manager Roxanne Casey estimated that about 40 volunteers were involved with the fundraiser.

"Every volunteer here is a part of it at some point in time," said Casey on Friday.

Last year's event raised \$29,000, \$4,000 of which came from the sale of a David

Alexander Risk painting.

The money will be used to purchase and install an alert system – a piece of equipment that is now mandatory under CRTC regulations. Casey estimated this will cost anywhere between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

"Anytime there's an emergency, whether it be a flood, a storm, a missing child, it automatically breaks into your broadcast," explained Casey, pointing out that community radio stations have been given an extra year to install the equipment.

"They know that we have to find the money."

The station is also in need of a new back-up

transmitter, which can cost \$20,000 brand new.

Casey said she will be on the hunt for a used one.

"We had our engineer from Toronto look at it and he said there's no point in repairing the one you have, because it will cost you way too much money to repair that."

Other expenses incurred by the station include licensing fees, insurance and phone bills, said Casey.

The station currently has 109 volunteers, two full-time staff, one contract salesperson and two temporary positions funded by grants.



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By Mark Arike

Palliative care campaign benefits from mud bog

The Minden Kin Club and the Haliburton ATV Association (HATVA) have added \$10,000 to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's (HHHSF) campaign for a new palliative care centre. The groups raised the funds through this year's Mud Bog and Show and Shine, held on June 20 at the Minden Fairgrounds. "We pick a different place [to donate to] each year," said Tom Prentice, past president of the Kin Club, during a cheque presentation on July 7 at the Minden hospital. Last year, the two groups donated to the Minden Food Bank. In other years they gave the proceeds to the flood relief fund and the hospital. The recent donation brings the Making Moments Matter campaign total to \$800,000. The fundraising goal is \$900,000. Construction on the new Haliburton Highlands Palliative Care Centre was scheduled to begin this spring, however, the start date has been pushed to the early fall. "We think it's going to be closer to September," said Dale Walker, executive director of the HHHSF. The two-suite facility will be located at the Haliburton hospital.

Pictured above: From left, John Kay, HHHS board chair; Dave Bonham, HHHS vice-chair; Dale Walker, HHHSF executive director; Peter Oyler, HHHSF chairman; Andy Rickard, Minden Kin Club president; and Kin Club members Dan Douglas, Tammy Douglas, Jim Carrell, Harold Clayton, Heather Hughes and Karin Koch.



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Top: Two members of the 35th Battalion Infantry, Camp 6 in Huntsville, set up a historically accurate camp and performed demonstrations for visitors. From left are Rachael Lutes, Oliver Bratt, Private Pete Hitchcock from Bracebridge, Sergeant Phil Ward of Huntsville, Simon Bratt, and Kevin Bratt. Above: Don Lupton (right) demonstrates an old 1920 drag saw that was used to cut firewood.

Dorset Heritage Day takes a step back in time

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Visitors to the Dorset Heritage Museum over the weekend were hit with a blast from the past.

The museum hosted its annual Heritage Day on July 4. Exhibitors included a maple products booth, the Royal Canadiana racing boat, an authentic hand-made 32-foot canoe, and more.

"It was a real success," said museum volunteer Roy Mackay. "It's a fun event. The day was just perfect, the air was cool and fresh, and everybody seemed to be in a great mood."

Two re-enactment soldiers from the

35th Battalion Infantry Camp 6 out of Huntsville were on hand to talk about the area's military history. The battalion was in Huntsville from 1886-1907.

The pair, Private Pete Hitchcock from Bracebridge and Sergeant Phil Ward of Huntsville, set up an authentic soldier's camp, complete with teepee, cookfire (and tasty bear roast), and appropriate equipment. They also performed firing demonstrations of their period-accurate rifles.

Ward said the battalion is looking for more volunteers. For more information, Google search 'living history muskoka' to find their Facebook page.

Each of the displays were related to the area and its history.

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Through my eyes

Dealing with issues



By Austin McGillion

I'm here to say that anyone who tells you that you dwell on your own issues too much is wrong.

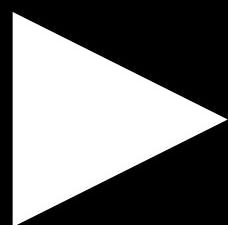
Your issues bother you a thousand times more than someone else's. My depression affects me many times more than someone else's grief does, for example. Unfortunately that is the case in everyone.

I have a friend who suffers from depression and she feels it a hundred times more severely than I can understand or perceive. That's kind of how it feels in my opinion. Everyone's body is surrounded by an aura, a sort of chi, and this chi is affected by their emotions and thoughts. If a person is happy their chi radiates a positive energy, whereas depression, anger, revenge, and hatred negatively affects ones chi and makes people near them slowly feel the negativity as well.

I often feel like I emit a bright aura that in turn illuminates others and makes them feel a bit better about themselves. But anyone that says they feel happy all of the time is not telling the truth. Everyone has felt the gripping frozen claws of fear, anxiety, depression, or the flaming lava coated fangs of hatred, revenge, and misery. I am not exempt from their clutches and sometimes I, too, find myself ensnared in their grip, but I try to keep a level and cool head.

People can share in your issues and help you overcome them. I needed more than one or two people to ease my pain of loss and depression, but I overcame and I conquered my self-loathing, my feelings of guilt and responsibility for the loss of friends, and my depression and hatred of other people. Now I love everyone for the traits they show and how bright their fires burn.

No matter how much we struggle our fires will always illuminate who we are deep down. We are all human, with feelings and emotions and needs! We should not stand divided, but together against whatever seeks to destroy our hopes and happiness.



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Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Jonas Hill sits in front of a winter shelter he and his troop built.

Scout heading to Japan for Jamboree

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

It's a once in a lifetime opportunity and a dream come true for one local scout.

Jonas Hill, 15, lives in Highlands East and is a member of the First Bancroft Scouts. He is a fourth generation scout – his father Aaron Hill, grandfather and great-grandfather were all scouts – and has been involved in the organization for nine years. He has also completed his Chief Scout award, the top honour for a scout-aged scout.

Later this month, Jonas will travel to Japan to participate in the 23rd World Scouts Jamboree.

His trip starts on July 23 when he joins the rest of the Canadian scout contingent in Hong Kong for a four-day pre-jamboree event. From there, the group travels to Japan where they will stay until Aug. 10.

"It's scouts from all over the world getting together for a massive camp," Jonas said. "I'm very excited but a little nervous to be away from home that long."

Over 30,000 people from 147 countries are participating in the event. They will all camp out in a big field and participate in a series of events, games and excursions. Jonas is most excited for a trip to the Hiroshima bomb site.

During the last three days of the jamboree, Jonas will live with a Japanese family to learn about their culture.

"I've never left the continent, so I haven't seen many other cultures," he said. "It's a once in a lifetime opportunity."

World Jamborees only happen once every four years. Jonas has received support from

Agnew's General Store in Wilberforce and from the Bancroft Lions Club for his trip.

For Jonas, this is a culmination of a long and fruitful career in scouts.

"I really like the outdoors aspect of it, going out camping and doing a whole bunch of different things," he said.

Each year, Jonas and his troop go out on a year-end camp. Last year he organized and executed a five-day canoe trip into Algonquin Park, to complete the leadership portion of his Chief Scout award. He planned the route, created the safety plan, organized the menu, and completed the preparations for the trip.

He participated in a seven-day kayak trip to Desolation Sound in British Columbia when he was 11, and went caving on Vancouver Island when he was 12.

It's also common for Jonas to camp during the winter months, spending nights with his troop in tents in -35C temperatures.

"A lot of people go out camping, but they don't do that many prolonged camping trips," he said.

The lessons he's learned on those trips have rubbed off on his everyday life.

"It's the motto: Be prepared," said Jonas. "When I'm at school, I'll almost always have my rain jacket stuffed in the bottom of my bag. I like to bring extra stuff. I'll pack for a weekend and I like to have more stuff than I actually need."

His leadership training is also paying off.

"The training helps me to speak to other people a little bit better. When I'm trying to lead the scout group, I have different people there with different interests. It helps me to listen to the interests of the group."

Since joining scouts, Aaron has seen a positive impact in his son.

"Part of the reason I like scouts is that it teaches citizenship," Aaron said. "A lot of other extra curricular activities don't. Scouts has a program that is vast. It has to include personal and physical development, all sorts of different aspects. But that part of citizenship and doing for your community and not just receiving, I think it set Jonas up very well to be successful in life."

Scouts has also encouraged Jonas to try new things.

"There's a team player badge," said Aaron. "You have to go out and play sports, not just do scouts. They [Scouts] want you to go out and get as much experience as you can. It has helped Jonas in that sense."

He said the program is youth directed and youth led. Scouts provides the requirements, but lets the kids decide how they want to accomplish the program's goals.

"Every kid gets a chance to shine, because it's not just one specific area," Aaron said.

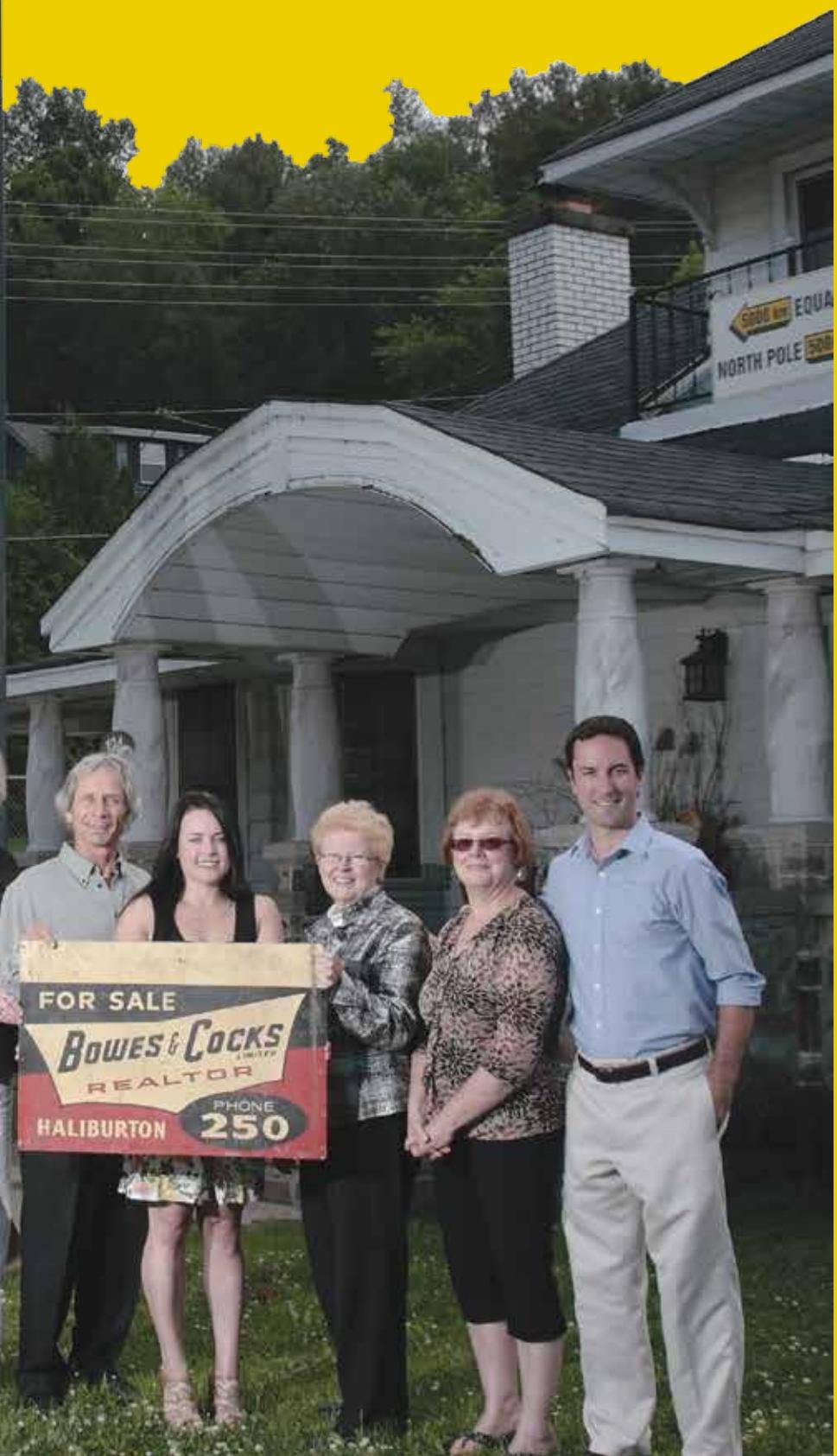
Badges and awards for scouts range from physical to mental activities and abilities. There are badges for everything from agriculture to science, spirituality, leadership and more.

Jonas said there's something for everyone.

"People come to scouts for different reasons. Some people want to be social, other to participate in the activities. There's a lot of different stuff going on."

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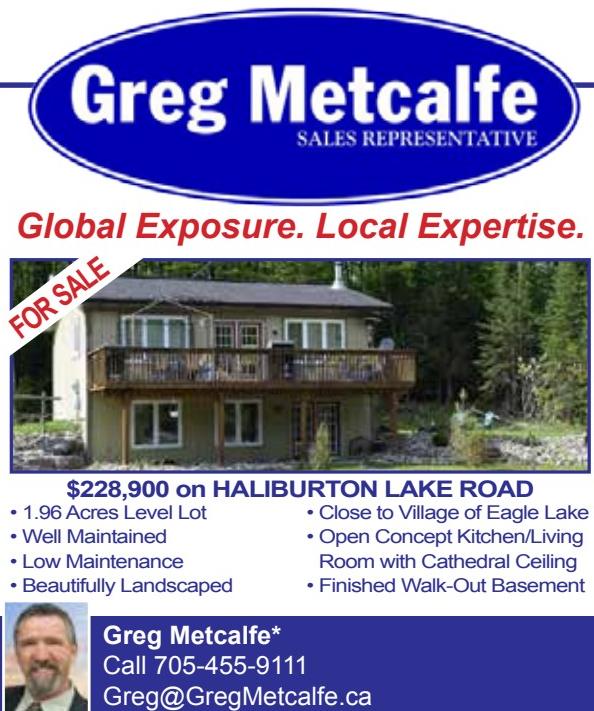



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Pictured above: Pan Am 2015 kayak/canoe slalom athletes will launch from this site just below the dam near Bethel Road in Minden Hills.

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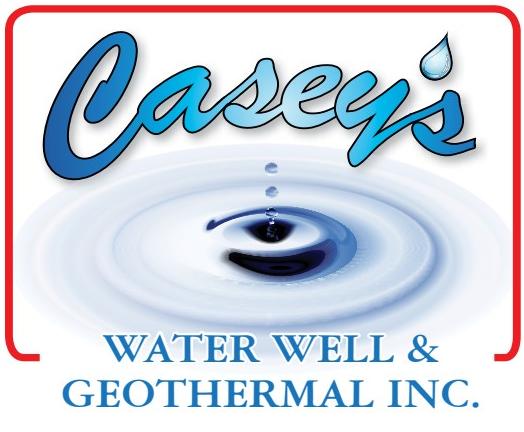
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NHL greats sign arena murals

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

It's not easy to get a group of hockey legends in one building on the same day.

But when you do, they reminisce about days gone by and share their love for Haliburton.

A few months ago, in March, seven photo murals were installed on the locker room doors found within A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. Each features names synonymous with the National Hockey League including Ron Stackhouse, Bernie Nicholls, Scotty Morrison, Jim Gregory, Walt McKechnie, Cody Hodgson and Matt Duchene.

Although the project was completed just before the Coby Islander hockey tournament, it wasn't until recently that these local stars were able to sign the murals that were dedicated to them.

"The seven doors worked out perfectly," said local resident Charlie Teljeur, who spearheaded the project last fall.

As someone who is passionate about helping preserve Haliburton's rich hockey history, Teljeur pitched his idea to Dysart council. The municipality paid for the project, which cost about \$2,500.

Teljeur worked with the staff at Parker Pad & Printing to transform his vision into reality.

"Once the idea was down, it was handled by them," he said.

Hodgson, who was recently signed by the



Photo by Mark Arike

Former NHL referee and past chairman of the Hockey Hall of Fame, Scotty Morrison, glances at a younger version of himself on a mural.

Nashville Predators, and former NHLer Nicholls signed their murals over the weekend while everyone else gathered at the arena on July 8.

After signing their name with a Sharpie, several of the local greats left a special message for their favourite town.

Duchene's note read: "The best things in life come from small towns. I'm proud to be from

small-town Haliburton. Work hard and dream big."

Hodgson's message was: "Thanks Haliburton for giving me my start."

Teljeur has future plans for the arena that he intends on pitching to council. They include turning the lobby area into the Highland Storm room and placing photos of other athletes, such as figure skaters, on a wall located behind the arena's bleachers.

"The whole idea is to try to get this place to be somewhat intimidating [to away teams]," he said, referring to all of the photos.

Teljeur added that council would have the final say when it comes to the remaining phases.



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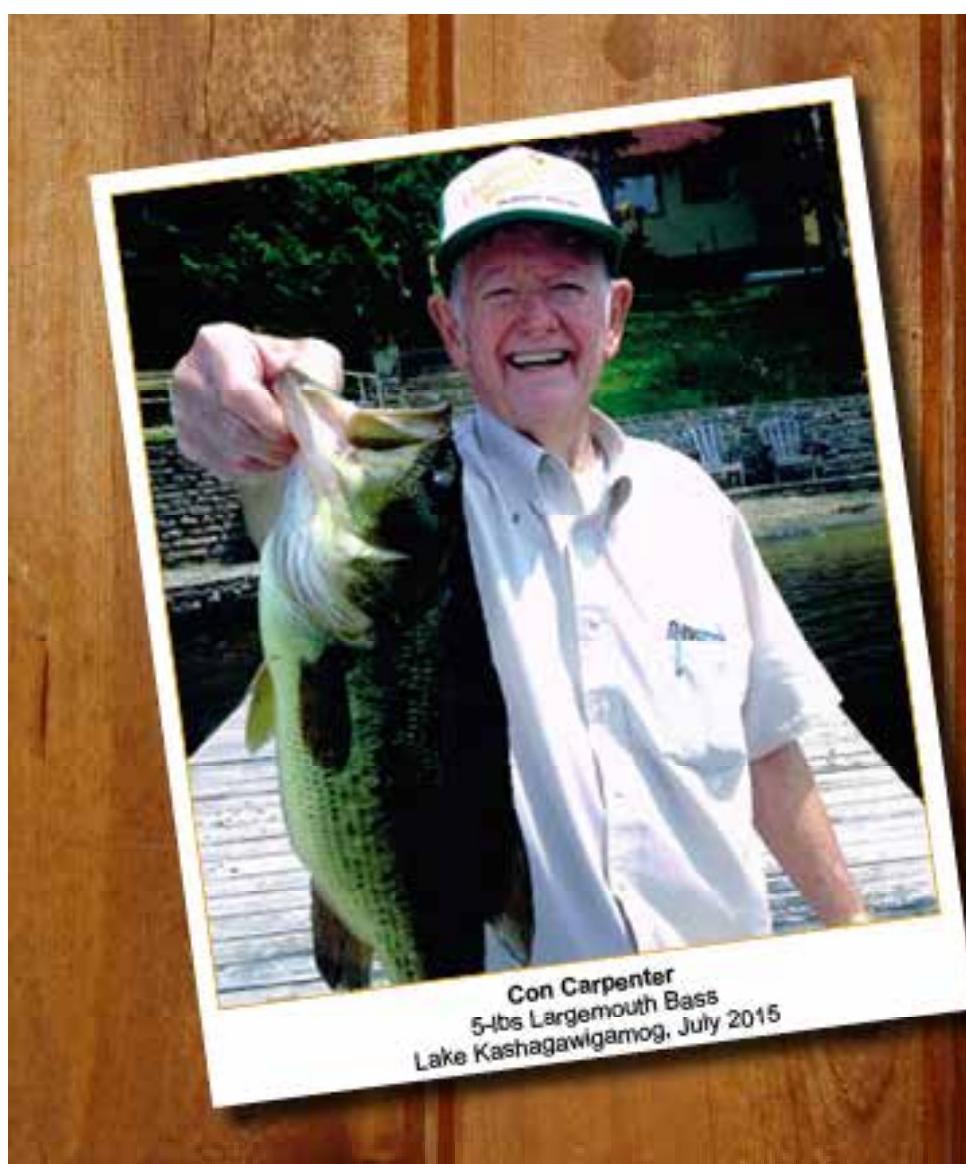
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Pictured left: Chantal Chamberland performs at the Grill on the Gull on July 4. Right: Bill Nadean rocked the crowd at The Dominion on July 4.

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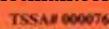
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Duchene guest stars at Music in the Park

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

NHL star Matt Duchene is known for his skills on the ice, but this month he will give Haliburton a glimpse of his musical talents.

The Colorado Avalanche centre is just one of several local performers who will grace the stage in Head Lake Park during the second annual Music in the Park. The admission-by-donation series is being presented by the Rotary Club of Haliburton.

"We had our inaugural year last year, which was very successful despite some gloomy weather," said event chairwoman Andrea Roberts.

Every Tuesday evening from July 7 to Aug. 11, a different artist or group will be featured at the band shell.

Nearly two years ago, the club partnered with the municipality to give the outdated structure a makeover. The project received \$25,000 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation and \$10,000 from the Haliburton County Development Corporation.

Roberts, who also serves as Dysart et al's deputy-reeve, decided to volunteer her time to bring the series to fruition.

"It was just something I wanted to do," she said, adding "it's good for the public."

This year's subcommittee includes Roberts and three members of the Haliburton County Folk Society. As artistic director, Bill Hutson assembled this year's lineup.

"We gave Bill the budget for music and



Photo by Mark Arike

An audience braves the rain for opening night of Music in the Park on July 7. The evening featured Cassidy Glecoff and the Highlands Swing Band.

sound, and [said] we want a varied concert series," explained Roberts.

Music in the Park has nine corporate sponsors, six of whom supported last year's series.

This past Tuesday, the series launched with young singer/songwriter Cassidy Glecoff and the Highlands Swing Band. Upcoming shows will feature Gord Kidd and the 50/50 Band, Stan Russell and Friends Quartet, The McClay Experience, Serendipity, David Archibald, and Wolfgang Brothers.

On July 14, Duchene will join Kidd and the

50/50 Band as a special guest.

"He has stood up on stage at Casino Rama and all over the place," said Roberts. "He's allowed to do some guest cameo performances – and he's very talented as a singer and guitarist."

Videos on YouTube show him sharing the stage with the likes of Jake Owen and Thomas Rhett.

Each concert starts at 7 p.m. and will go forward rain or shine.

"The musicians are well-protected under that band shell, and Rotary has done some really

nice screened awnings that come down," she said. "The only thing that would cancel it is some thunder and lightning."

All shows are family-friendly. Since seating isn't available, audiences are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket.

Once expenses are covered, any additional funds raised from the public will go back to the Rotary Club for community projects.

"I think one of these days it will become profitable, but that wasn't the objective," Roberts pointed out. "The objective was to enjoy live music."



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NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION & PUBLIC MEETING 8 WINCHESTER STREET PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT (RZ-15-04)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law No. 06-10 pursuant to Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, RSO 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended. The site specific amendment applies to property municipally known as 8 Winchester Street and being Lot 50 & 51 of Plan 172 located in Part of Lot 4, Concession 'A' in the Geographic Township of Anson (see Key Map below).

AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The subject property is presently zoned Residential Type One (R1). The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment is to change the zoning to the site specific Community Facility Exception Three (CF-3) Zone. The effect of the amendment is to permit a Medical Clinic having eight (8) medical offices, and to allow for a reduction in the number of parking spaces and width of planting strip otherwise required in the Community Facility (CF) Zone.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING – RZ 15-04

Date: Thursday, July 30, 2015
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Municipal Council Chambers,
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario

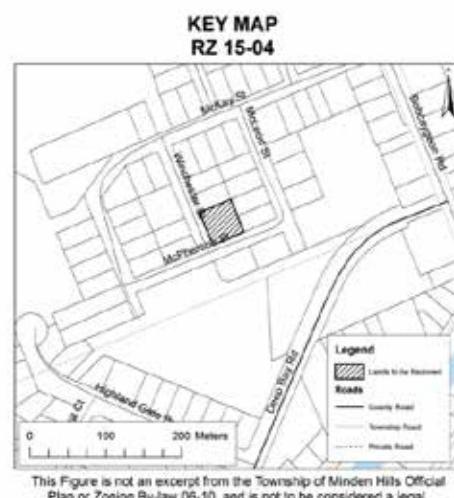
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m or by calling Mr. Ian Clendening at 705-286-1260 (ext.206).

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment.

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DATED this 9th day of July, 2015
Ian Clendening, Planner
7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359
Minden, ON, K0M 2K0
Tel. (705) 286-1260 ext. 206



NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION & PUBLIC MEETING 1215 LACKIES LANE PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT (RZ-15-05)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law No. 06-10 pursuant to Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, RSO 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended. The site specific amendment applies to property municipally known as 1215 Lackies Lane and being Parts 1 & 2 of Plan 19R-5544 and Parts 8 & 10 of Plan 19R-3586 located in Part of Lot 11, Concession 10 & 11 in the Geographic Township of Lutterworth (see Key Map below).

AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The subject property is presently zoned Shoreline Residential (SR). The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment is to change the zoning to the site specific Shoreline Residential Exception Fifty-four (SR-54) Zone. Recently, provisional consent (File H-043-2014 & H-044-2014) was granted to sever the subject property. The application for rezoning has been submitted to meet the conditions of the provisional consent and will allow the retained parcel to comply with the Township's Zoning By-law. The effect of the amendment is to recognize the Front Yard and High Water Mark setback of the existing dwelling located on the retained parcel.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING – RZ 15-05

Date: Thursday, July 30, 2015
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Municipal Council Chambers,
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario

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NOTICE OF COMPLETE APPLICATION & PUBLIC MEETING 11993 HIGHWAY 35 PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT (RZ-15-06)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Zoning By-law No. 06-10 pursuant to Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, RSO 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended. The site specific amendment applies to property municipally known as 11993 Highway 35 located in Part of Lot 1, Concession 14 in the Geographic Township of Lutterworth (see Key Map below).

AND TAKE NOTICE that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a public meeting under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13 as amended, to inform the public of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to understand and comment on the proposed Amendment.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The subject property is presently zoned Highway Commercial Exception Fourteen (C1-14). The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment is to amend the site specific zoning to include Commercial Self Storage as a permitted use in order to allow for such future development.

DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING – RZ 15-06

Date: Thursday, July 30, 2015
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Municipal Council Chambers,
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding the proposed Amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m or by calling Mr. Ian Clendening at 705-286-1260 (ext.206).

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Photos by Mark Arike
Top: October Browne performed at Fleming College on July 2 as part of the college's free concert series. Above: Eric Thompson of Moon Shadows Estate Winery (right) talks about his products.

Free concert series starts at Fleming

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Veteran guitar player and singer October Browne shared her talents with an audience at the Haliburton School of the Arts on July 2. The Canadian folk artist opened up this year's free weekly concert series, which features a different artist

each Thursday at the campus. Concertgoers were also able to sample some of the unique culinary offerings available in the Highlands from Boshkung Brewing Co., Moon Shadows Estate Winery and Wintergreen Maple Products. Prior to the evening shows, visitors can tour classrooms and meet with instructors. Folk and blues artist Rick Fines will take the stage on July 9.



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Submitted by Judy Neumann

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Pictured above: A group of hungry patrons enjoys ham, roast beef and strawberry desserts.

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Tues Aug 4 – Minden Fire Fighters / Emergency Services / OPP Display
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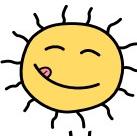
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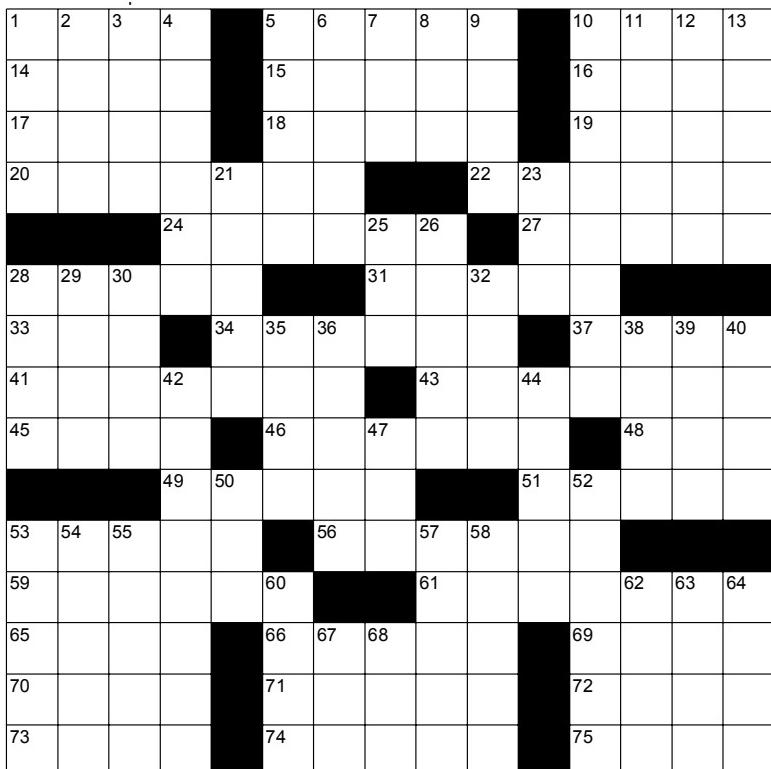
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 5. Overcharge for tickets
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 14. Outer garment
 15. Wave type
 16. Absorbed by
 17. Ms. Hayworth
 18. Sun-dried brick
 19. Night twinkler
 20. Trap
 22. Fall flowers
 24. Ranch enclosure
 27. Glue
 28. Copier's need
 31. Daddies
 33. " ____ Got You Under My Skin"
 34. Mother ____ (missionary)
 37. Biblical "you"
 41. Daily grind (2 wds.)

DOWN

1. Farm measure
 2. Meat cut
 3. Touches lightly
 4. Golf posture
 5. Drummer Ringo _____
 6. Apple drink
 7. Hubbub
 8. Science rm.
 9. Appeal
 10. Aversion
 11. Stakes
 12. Commence
 13. Racetrack animal
 21. Main artery
 23. Exercise club
 25. Imitate
 26. Rodeo rope
 28. Grow weary
 29. Egg-shaped
 30. Seines

45. Differently
46. Distant
48. Expert
49. Hesitate
51. ____ Pan
53. Defeated one
56. Engraver
59. Unbroken
61. Set free
65. Chair
66. Rustic
69. Cawing bird
70. Book leaf
71. Overact
72. Fork prong
73. Toboggan
74. Corroded
75. Wilts

32. Agreement
35. Unbleached color
36. ____ Witherspoon of "Legally Blonde"
38. Miami team
39. "____ upon a time..."
40. Consumer
42. Said again
44. Drive off
47. Ran across
50. Circle segment
52. Builds
53. Speech defects
54. Basketball's Shaquille ____
55. Theater platform
57. Box
58. Actress ____ Hunt
60. Lumber source
62. Pavarotti solo
63. Ditty
64. Sheep mamas
67. Actress ____ Thurman
68. Deteriorate

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Notice of Public Community Meeting For a Project Proposal Under the Large Renewable Procurement

The proponent identified below is proposing to submit a proposal to the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) to design, build, and operate a Large Renewable Project for the generation of electricity under the IESO's Large Renewable Procurement (LRP).

The LRP is a competitive process for procuring large renewable energy projects generally larger than 500 kilowatts. At the conclusion of the LRP, the IESO may award contracts for successful projects up to the specified procurement targets for each renewable fuel: 300 megawatts (MW) for wind, 140 MW for solar, 75 MW for waterpower, and 50 MW for bioenergy.

This notice is being distributed to notify members of the public of a public community meeting that has been scheduled to discuss the Large Renewable Project proposal. Information regarding the proponent, the Large Renewable Project proposal, and the meeting details are described below.

This public community meeting is being held as part of the early community engagement requirements of the LRP. The public community meeting will present details about the Large Renewable Project and its proposed connection line. Representatives of the proponent will be available to discuss the Large Renewable Project and the overall LRP process. Should this Large Renewable Project be awarded a contract, the Large Renewable Project would need to obtain all required permits and approvals and conduct any further required community engagement activities.

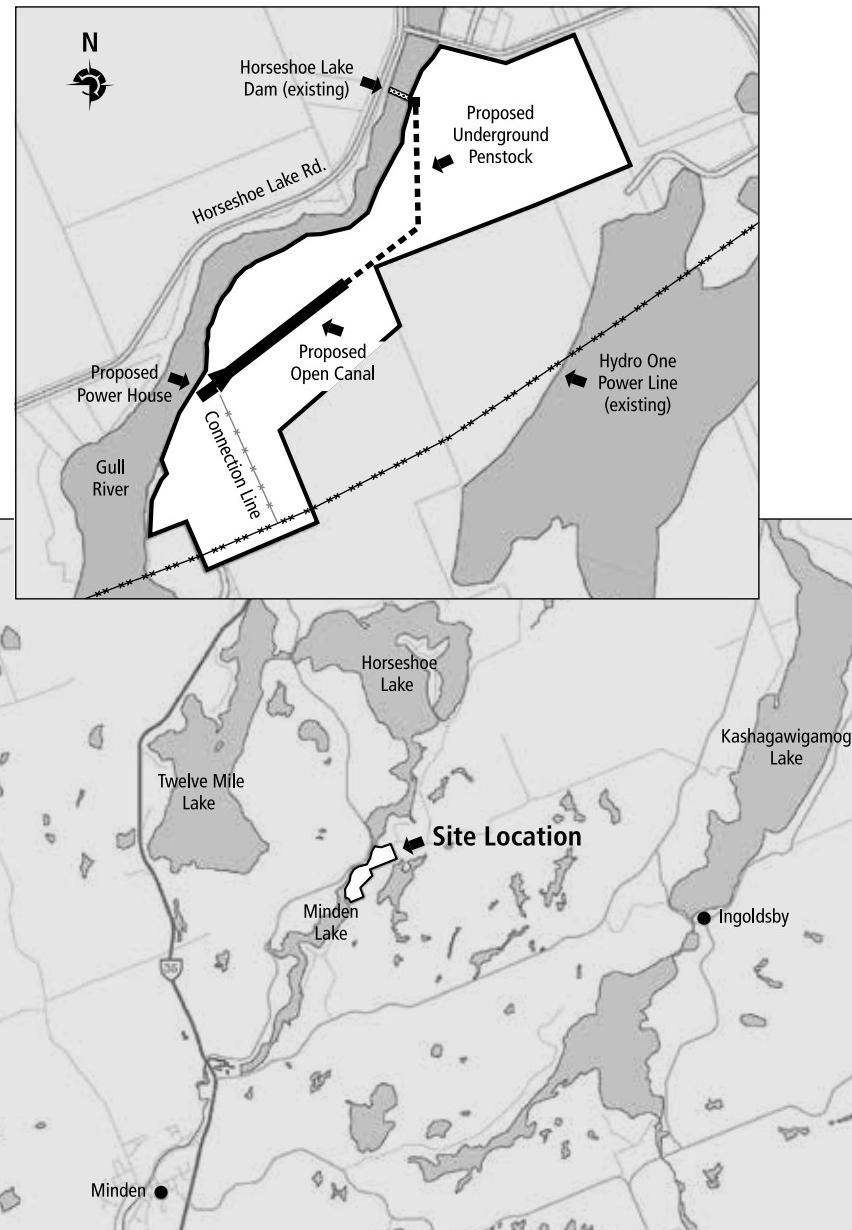
Further details regarding the LRP are available at www.ieso.ca/lrp.

Proponent and the Large Renewable Project proposal

Proponent:	Orillia Power Generation Corporation
Qualified Applicant from the LRP Request for Qualifications stage associated with the proponent:	Orillia Power Generation Corporation
Name of the Large Renewable Project proposal:	Minden II Generating Station
Renewable fuel of the Large Renewable Project:	Waterpower
Proposed capacity of the Large Renewable Project:	3.0 to 3.5 MW
Proposed connection point of the Large Renewable Project:	Minden TS 87M3, 44kV, 44.962359, -78.685172

Proposed location of the Large Renewable Project/ Connection Line

The Project Site and Connection Line is located in Minden Hills Township, Haliburton County, approximately five (5) km north of the Town of Minden on the Gull River just below Horseshoe Lake Dam.



Public community meeting information

Minden Hills Township Office 7 Milne Street Minden, Ontario
Thursday, July 16, 2015
2:00pm to 8:30pm

Contact information for the proponent

Keith McAllister, P.Eng.
President & Chief Executive Officer, Orillia Power Corporation
Telephone: (705) 326-8988
Email: mindenIIGs@orilliapower.ca
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The 2014 Katie's Run was a huge success. This year's event happens on July 11 and there's still time to sign up and participate.

Katie's Run raises funds and awareness

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Can you imagine not having control of your body? What about knowing that at any time you could suffer a seizure?

People with epilepsy live with those fears every day, and that's why Haliburton resident Katie Woudstra started Katie's Run in 2012.

"These are real stories about real people whose daily lives are affected by epilepsy," Katie said. "There is a constant fear of the unknown and not having control of your own body, and that's hard to be at peace with."

Katie's Run is a run, walk, or ride to raise money and awareness for epilepsy research. This year's run happens at Sir Sam's Ski and Bike on July 11.

"It's a good time and a fun day," she said. "There's an energy there. Even if you don't have epilepsy or know someone who does, why not read the stories, learn more about this and you'll see it's a good cause."

Robert Jamieson is a sergeant with the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), and has been on the force for 20 years. He was diagnosed with epilepsy at the age of 27.

"I was contacted by the folks at Katie's Run," he said. "They made me aware of what Katie's Run is all about. After we had a chance to converse back and forth, they asked me if I would speak at this year's event."

Jamieson's last seizure was in 2004. That doesn't mean he's cured, just that his epilepsy

is being controlled through medication.

"If I failed to take my meds, it could be disastrous for me," he said.

Despite his condition, Jamieson has continued to lead a fruitful and successful life.

"Success in a sense that I was able to receive support from my family, friends and colleagues, and continue on in a career I love to do," he said. "I'm a father, have two beautiful daughters, [and] life is good. I see that as the biggest success."

So when he heard about Katie's story, he agreed to help out at the run.

"It was some of the challenges I learned about that she experienced, and I can relate to some of it because with epilepsy, it's an invisible disability," he said. "There are a lot of barriers, obstacles that you need to overcome. Because it is invisible, not everybody knows you have it. But if you're in school or any sort of environment, if seizures aren't controlled through medication, it's very challenging."

When seizures happen, it can be very serious, he said. In some cases, it can be fatal. But even for those who don't have any immediate physical problems, there are other issues that creep up.

"It's always in the back of your mind that it could happen again," Jamieson said. "When it happens, you have issues with regards to having a licence or losing it, issues in having a change of meds and side effects. You've got attitude of people around you that you

deal with, the unknown... there's quite a psychological piece to having epilepsy."

Jamieson has lost his licence three times since being diagnosed.

"Katie's story is what inspired me when I heard about it, and I felt compelled to participate in the run. She's three years seizure free now, she's doing great. I just want to provide her that support because she, along with so many other people, have done so well in dealing with epilepsy and the issues associated with it."

His message to participants at the run will be one of hope.

"I just want to share that you can overcome this invisible disability," Jamieson said. "For those that are still struggling to get their seizures under control, just try to throw out there that there is hope. Just coming out and supporting each other is one of the biggest key factors for positive outcomes."

For Katie, the run has helped her to heal.

"I'm not sure why, but as the event gains strength and I find healing, I've discovered that this is truly so much greater than myself and just sharing my story," she said. "I've met numerous people with epilepsy and heard multiple stories, both terrifying and inspiring. If there's one thing I know now, it's that I want everyone to have hope and peace, and not to feel like they are chasing an impossible dream."

New to this year's event is the 5-kilometre run and cross-country mountain biking.

There's also a silent auction this year that includes a signed Matt Duchene jersey and a Blue Jays package.

Race registration begins on July 11 at 8 a.m., followed by a 9:20 a.m. warm-up and race start at 9:30 a.m. For more details, visit katiestr.ca.

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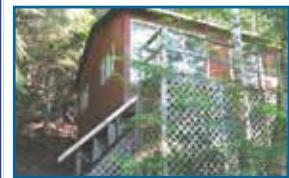
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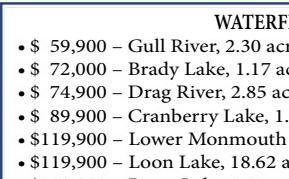
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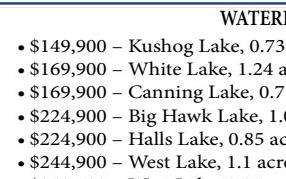
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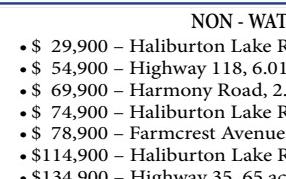
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